

## **INDIANA REGULATED AMUSEMENT DEVICE SAFETY BOARD ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS MEETING POLICY**

### **I. Purpose**

Indiana Code § 5-14-1.5-3.6 allows members of the governing body of a state agency, such as the Indiana Regulated Amusement Device Safety Board ("Amusement Board"), who are not physically present at the meeting to participate in meetings of the governing body using electronic communications if all of the requirements under IC § 5-14-1.5-3.6 are met, including the requirement that the governing body adopt a policy to govern participation in the governing body's meetings by electronic communication.

This Amusement Board Meeting Policy (the "Policy") is intended to comply with these statutory requirements and will provide for the participation in and the conducting of meetings where electronic communication is utilized by members of the Amusement Board who are not physically present at the meeting.

### **II. Applicability**

This Policy applies to meetings of the Amusement Board in which any member of the Amusement Board participates electronically.

### **III. Policy**

- A. Minimum Physical Participation.** As required by IC § 5-14-1.5-3.6(c)(1), at any meeting of the Amusement Board, at least four (4) voting members of the Amusement Board must be physically present at the place where the meeting is conducted.
- B. Treatment of Members Participating by Electronic Means.** A member of the Amusement Board who participates in a meeting by a permitted electronic communication shall be considered to be present at the meeting and may vote at the meeting.
- C. Quorum.** Pursuant to IC § 22-12-4.5-3, since the Amusement Board has eleven (11) members a quorum consists of six (6) members of the Amusement Board. A member of the Amusement Board who participates by a permitted electronic means of communication shall be counted for purposes of establishing a quorum.
- D. Permitted Means of Communication.** A member of the Amusement Board not physically present at a meeting may participate in the meeting by any electronic means of communication so long as that electronic means of communication permits:
  - 1. the member;
  - 2. all other members participating in the meeting; and
  - 3. all members of the public physically present at the place where the meeting is conducted to simultaneously communicate with one another.
- E. Roll Call Voting.** As required by IC § 5-14-1.5-3.6(c)(2), all votes of the Amusement Board during a meeting where any member participates by means of electronic communication shall be taken by roll call vote, in which the name of each member of the Amusement Board present will be called individually and requested to cast their vote aloud.
- F. Limitations.** In addition to the above requirements, the following requirements are also applicable:

1. **Annual Minimum Physical Participation.** Each member of the Amusement Board must physically attend at least fifty percent (50%) of the meetings of the Amusement Board held in a calendar year.
2. **Technological Limitations.** If a meeting location is chosen for an Amusement Board meeting that is not conducive to participation by means of electronic communications due to technological limitations, the Amusement Board members will be notified in advance of the meeting that participation by electronic communications will not be available for that meeting.
3. **Documents.** Any documents made available to those individuals attending an Amusement Board meeting in person will also be made available to those attending by means of electronic communications. Such documents will be made available electronically prior to the start of the meeting.
4. **Publication of Policy.** As required by IC § 5-14-1.5-3.6(h), this policy will be posted on the Internet web site of the Amusement Board.

This Electronic Communications Meeting Policy was adopted by the Indiana Regulated Amusement Device Safety Board on this 32<sup>nd</sup> day of July, 2016.



Regulated Amusement Device Safety Board Chair